

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

COUNCILOR: Vincent Howell
David L. Romero
Tonita Gurule-Giroń
Joey Herrera-Absent

ALSO PRESENT: Elmer Martinez-Acting City Manager
Casandra Fresquez-City Clerk
Dave Romero-City Attorney
Eugene Garcia-Segeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for a moment of silence in appreciation of life and to keep those less fortunate in mind and to be helpful of one another and wished for success in the endeavors that would be discussed during the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Gurule-Giroń made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	Tonita Gurule-Giroń	Yes
David L. Romero	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

None at this time.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval/Disapproval of Budget Adjustment Resolution #14-70.

Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos informed that the City of Las Vegas was awarded \$10,000.000 by the 2014 Legislature for design and construction of Bradner Dam and the Office of the State Engineer has authorized and encumbered the funding. Finance Director Gallegos advised that it was brought to Special Meeting due to the need of proceeding with the design.

Utilities Director Ken Garcia advised that the funding was for the Bradner Dam design and construction and informed that the Utilities Department had a readiness to proceed on items that needed to be completed for engineering. Utilities Director Garcia added that the DFA's approval was needed before the funds could be budgeted.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. briefly discussed the complicated process of funding the Bradner Project regarding different deadlines from three different funding sources.

Councilor Gurule-Giroń had questions and concerns on the three different funding agencies and also expenditures regarding design.

Utilities Director Garcia addressed the questions on the funding concerning the design of the Bradner Dam project.

Councilor Gurule-Giroń asked questions regarding revenue and expenditures on the Budget Adjustments Report. Councilor Gurule-Giroń also had concerns on the investments concerning the Bradner Project funding.

Finance Director Gallegos explained the revenue and expenditures on the Budget Adjustment Report and clarified the cash balance transfer to Councilor Gurule-Giroń.

Councilor Howell had questions about the design funding for the project.

Utilities Director Garcia and Finance Director briefly explained the funding breakdown of the project and advised the funding was being used for engineering services. Utilities Director Garcia expressed the importance of the readiness to proceed to meet deadlines in order not to lose funding.

Councilor Gurule-Giroń inquired about the timeline of using the project funds.

Utilities Director Garcia advised the two different deadlines would be the readiness to proceed and completion of the project and informed that cash-flow schedules and project schedules would be used in the aid of the use of funds within the deadline for the completion of the construction.

Finance Director Gallegos reminded Council that the three agencies would oversee and manage the funds for the Bradner Dam Project and expressed that she was in favor of the agencies' oversight and advised that the Finance Department would be working together with Utilities Director Garcia and the three agencies.

Councilor Howell made a motion to approve of Budget Adjustment Resolution #14-70. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Tonita Gurule-Giroń	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. expressed his thoughts on the completion of the Bradner Dam Project and advised there would be many hurdles to overcome and hard work in the process of the project. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. added that he was happy with the progress so far but had hoped for an earlier completion.

Utilities Director Garcia informed Mayor and Council that the Bradner Dam Project was currently the biggest project for the state and also that it would take some time to complete but hoped that it would be a success.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Acting City Manager Martinez advised there was no need for Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Councilor Gurule-Giroñ made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

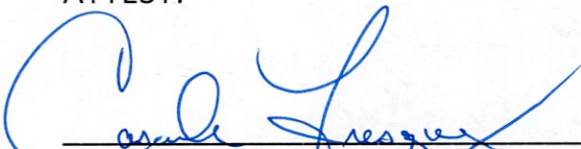
David L. Romero	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Tonita Gurule-Giroñ	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.



Mayor Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk